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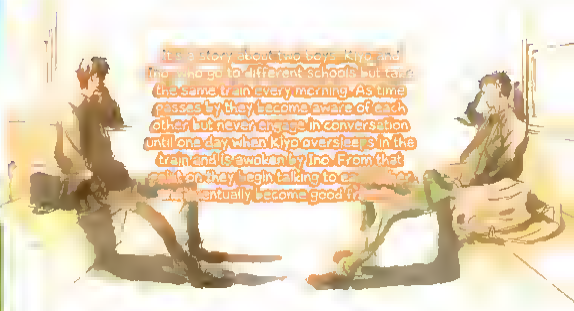

Kaito Mori and Ryo Kiyohara are two boys who live in the same town and go to different schools but take the same train every morning. As time passes by they become aware of each other but never engage in conversation until one day when Kiyo oversleeps in the train and is awaken by Ino. From that point on they begin talking to each other and eventually become good fr[illegible]

SLOW STARTER

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slow starter

Summer School Uniforms!
Goes to a private school
The school regulations are absolutely strict
The rules of paying is also very strict.
- Goes to a public school
The school regulations are mild
Even the fees are cheap

SLOW STARTER

Winter School Uniforms!
Has its own sweater vest. Also has its own bag. But it's mandatory to use it
The instant after you removed the sakuran is of c freedom

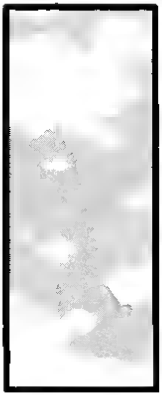
SLOW STARTER

Chapter 1

clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
CREAK
clack
clack
clack
OPEN
clack
clack
clack

Yawn
The door of the train is opening.
OPEN

Kiyo
chatter chatter
I'm still not used to seeing you walk to school
YEAH, I HEARD THAT YOU'RE RIDING THE TRAIN TO SCHOOL NOW
ARE YOU USED TO IT YET?
GLOMP!
WHAT!!
THAT'S NONSENSE. IT HAS ONLY BEEN A MONTH SINCE I MOVED AND SCHOOL JUST STARTED TWO WEEKS AGO
HOW CAN I GET USED TO IT THAT FAST?
WHEN I WAS IN MY OLD HOME I COULD GET UP FIFTEEN MINUTES BEFORE THE MORNING ASSEMBLY AND STILL MAKE IT IN TIME
I MISS THOSE DAYS.
I THINK YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE THAT WOULD CHOOSE THIS SCHOOL JUST BECAUSE IT'S CLOSE TO YOUR HOME
Oh yeah, the train you take goes to the countryside, right?
YUP. NOT A SINGLE PERSON ON THE WHOLE TRAIN
So there are not that many people on it. That's nice.
AHAHA, RIGHT. IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME RIDING A TRAIN TO SCHOOL
OF COURSE.
EH?
NO-THING



ANYWAY... I'M GLAD THAT I DIDN'T MOVE UNTIL AFTER I RESIGNED FROM THE CLUB
AH, THAT'S RIGHT.
YOU DON'T NEED TO GO FOR ASSEMBLY ANYMORE.
YUP, YUP

OPEN

clack clack clack
clack clack clack
CREAK

CRACK
The door of the train is now closing.
CLOSE
yawn
clack clack clack
rattle rattle rattle
clack clack clack
clack clack clack
ding dong

You have to, ok?
HAHA, MAYBE NEXT TIME
I couldn't be better. But senpai, if you have time, you should stop by sometimes
HOW ARE YOU?
OH
Kiyo-senpai!
OH, OH, Kiyo-senpai!

I USED TO BE
I THOUGHT YOU WOULD BE ONE OF THEM
BUT THERE ARE STILL SENPAIS WHO WOULD GO TO THE CLUB EVEN IF THEY NEED TO STUDY FOR EXAMS
I CAN'T HANG AROUND THE CLUB FOREVER.
IF YOU QUIT, YOU QUIT
YOU... AFTER QUITING THE CLUB, YOU'VE NEVER GONE BACK, RIGHT?

BYE
STOP
See you tomo-rrow!
Mine too
Ah, the train's here
The first train will be running into the station.

CLOSE
There's something about him that made him seem anti-social.
click click click
.....
THAT GUY'S A FRIEND OF HIS...
It's the first time that he's going home with a friend.
TAKES OUT
click click click

IT'S A LITTLE SURPRISING
OPEN
CREAK
clack clack clack
The rain will...
chirp chirp

Yumm
Yumm
Yumm
Yumm
Ahhh

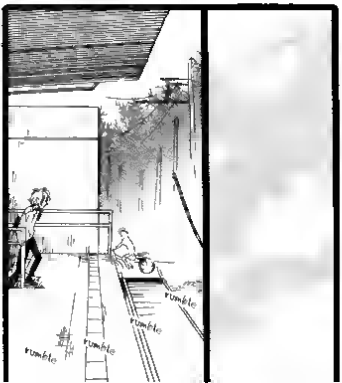
ding dong
AH, IT SEEMS HE DIDN'T FINISH HIS HOLIDAY HOMEWORK AND THE TEACHER GOT MAD
Akahal
poke poke
snaps
He looks stunned
AH,
3-C
Hmm
I can't bel eve that there s still a teacher who would resort to such an ancient method of punishment nowadays
What is it?
Akahal
What's that?
Akahal
WEREN'T YOU IN THAT CLASS TOO?
AH
EH?

STOP IT! THAT'S DISGUSTING!
I WILL REPAY YOU WITH MY BODY!
LEND ME YOUR WORK BOOK, LEND ME YOUR NOTES,
GRIPS
WA!!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT...
WHAT?
KIYOOOOO, IT'D BE FINE IF YOU HELD ME NOW...
SQUISH

click click click
I DIDN'T EVEN FINISHED UNPACKING
WHEN YOU'RE DONE, GO HOME IMMEDIATELY!
SERIOUSLY...
WHY? WHAT'S SO BAD ABOUT THIS I DON'T GET TO GO TO YOUR HOUSE EVERYDAY AT LEAST POUR ME SOMETHING TO DRINK..
The train will arrive at the station soon.
Please stand behind the white line.
IT'S BEEN A MONTH SINCE YOU'VE MOVED
Oh yeah, this is the first time I'll be visiting your new place
RIGHT... SO THEN...
O.K!!

EH?
UH,
hff
The door of the train is now closing!
clack clack clack
turns
clack clack clack
HOW MANY STOPS IS IT?
I MEAN, WHICH STATION?
UH, THAT...
THE EIGHT.
clack clack clack
WHAT WAS THAT.. JUST NOW?
THIS IS NICE,
THERE'S REALLY NO PASSENGERS HEADING IN THIS DIRECTION
OH
IS HE LOOKING THIS WAY?

click
click
click
click
click
click
click
click
click
click
click
click
ME?
The teacher punished me for not finishing my homework
NO. .
BUT...
WHY?
SO HE WANTED ME TO STAND IN THE CORNER. I REALLY CAN'T ACCEPT THAT
THAT


Fumble
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...IMPO-SSIBLE

OPEN
click
click
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click
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click
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click
zzz
zzz

clack clack clack clack
hm?
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack
The door of the train is closing
UM...
THAT...
CLOSE
clack clack clack clack
!
eyes open
Uhm...
clack clack clack clack
T-that...
clack clack clack clack

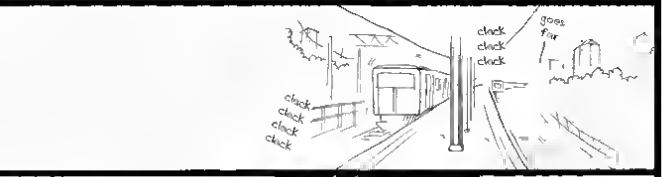
WHAT'S GOING ON?
WHA
AH.
THAT
THAT...

WHY...
JUST NOW
THAT...
DID YOU
MISS YOUR STOP?

I'm sorry!
I'm
If I was awake I could have woken you
I OVER-SLEPT! AHHH!!
But I fell asleep
I was sleepier than usual today
AAAAAAAA!
Shock
Um so yeah
I'm sorry
AH,
NO...
YOU SHOULDN'T BE APOLOGIZING FOR SOMETHING LIKE THIS.
AH.
YEAH.
BUT THAT'S REALLY HOW IT IS THOUGH.

AND, ACTUALLY... YOU...
EH?
THIS IS
THE FIRST TIME
I HEARD HIS VOICE
XX station..
..will now arrive..

STAND
Up
THAT'S RIGHT! I SHOULD HURRY...
I want to get off! I want to get off! Don't close the doors!
The doors of the train are now closing.
AH!
You should change trains here
WE'VE ARRIVED AT THE NEXT STATION
Shock
EH?
AH!
OPENS
clack clack clack clack
Hurry up and go, don't be late~
pats
pats
clack clack clack
CLOSE
AH!
The train is now moving
and thank him!!
rattle rattle rattle
TURNS
AAAAH
clack clack clack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The train is roaring in the station.

I NEED TO THANK HIM.

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Until next time!

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Here are some messages from our staff. Sadly, not everyone can participate since we don't have enough space. Orz.

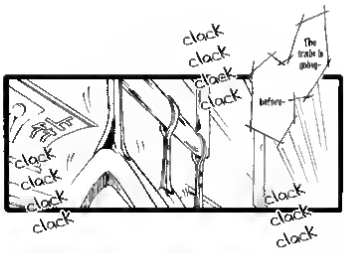
"I enjoy being a part of the mxr community and I hope everyone enjoys the scans that we release ^w^" - supaari

"To this amazing scanlation group that's fighting and releasing amazing projects, keep your work and poke me as much as you want my dears xD. Happy 2nd Birthday \(^w^)/" - xhokahokax

Osu. This is Jaz here, the lameass founder of MxR. I just want to say "WOW. TWO YEARS ALREADY?!" and to think that I made this group randomly, without any plans at all, and look at us now! A happy one big family (full of BUMS /cough.) No, srsly. Thank you for being with us! Hope you'll be here with us through the following years to come as well c: - xryuchan27

"Thank you for your support, and please continue to treat us kindly in the future as well!" hdhsfhdfhdf (and "of course, don't forget to follow the rules or you'll be bitten--" ////HITHTIHTTIH HFDHAS-LKKLF I'M JUST KIDDING /runs) " MxR BANZAI! " - fujoshi

"Ciaossu~! This is your Chairman coming back from the undead. I may not be visible in your sight but I'm just here lurking, observing & watching you herbivores behind the every closed door, window and in shadows. First, thank you readers for the support and staffs for breaking a leg in each book they work on. And as for you Dame Tuna Jaz, I commend you for stretching your fins to keep the pillars of this group intact. Now get yer asses moving you've got tons of laboring to do!" - Inchou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OPEN
CLOSE
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Chapter 2

Once the weather starts getting hot it makes me sleepy
Yeah
Speaking of that, you do always seem to have that sleepy look on your face.
Like usual I really wanted to sleep in today
Then how about when it's cold?
I still feel sleepy
Haha!
clack clack clack clack
Doesn't that mean you feel sleepy every single day?
Yes yes Because of that my tutor once told me
INO.
AH, YES. THAT'S MY NAME.
COME TO THINK OF IT, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
INO?
....
Sleepy eyelids and eyeballs-
Ino, you always have that sleepy look-
IS HE MIMICKING?

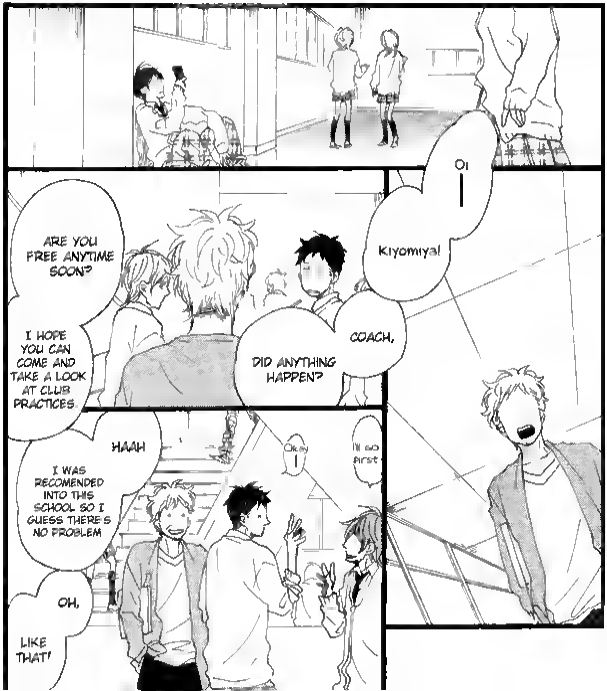
WE'RE FROM THE SAME GRADE
JUST CALL ME KIYO.
ARE YOU FROM THIRD GRADE?
YEAH.
Kiyomiya-kun.
AH.
Kiyomiya
Ah,
Anyway, why did we only ask for each other's names now!
You're right. It's so awkward!!
Kiyo!
Are you going back already?
YEAH.
Then let's go back together.
OKAY

WHERE'S FUJI?
HE HAS EXTRA LESSONS AFTER SCHOOL
HE WANTS TO GET INTO THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY
AH...
COME TO THINK OF IT, HE'S ONLY GOOD IN RESULTS
I JUST CAN'T UNDERSTAND HIM
SAME.
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND HIM EITHER.
But many people say that smart people are usually weird.
Then a few days before
AFTER WE GRADUATE...
clack clack clack clack
I WANT TO GO TO A UNIVERSITY.
AH, JUST A NORMAL ONE.
OH YEAH, KIYO, YOU'RE VERY SMART, RIGHT? WHERE ARE YOU AIMING FOR?
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack

I only worked hard to get into school because it was convenient travel-wise
No Actually from my old house to the school it only takes five minutes
YOUR OLD HOUSE?
clack clack clack
Ah we just moved recently
Eh- But if you got into your high school it shows that you're really smart
Actually I'm really stupid.
I'm going for junior college
Well, even in school there are people who would want to go to junior college
STOP BEING HUMBLE ABOUT YOURSELF.
REALLY! THEN YOU ARE REALLY SMART!
BUT AT THAT TIME I WAS REALLY HARD WORKING!
SLAP
Wahaha!
But—
Before the school- Before the school-
AH!
Other than that did anything else get more convenient? Or is it just the trip to and from school?
OH
Ah! If you have club activities in the morning, don't you need to wake up very early?
If I lived closer, it would be easier I guess...
EHHH JUST BECAUSE OF THAT!?

clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
clack
Goodbye
BYE

IT'S NOT LIKE I HAVE ANYTHING SPECIAL TO SAY TO HIM...
I'LL JUST ASK FOR HIS NUMBER WHEN I HAVE TIME
YEAH


OI
KIYOMIYA!
ARE YOU FREE ANYTIME SOON?
I HOPE YOU CAN COME AND TAKE A LOOK AT CLUB PRACTICES
COACH, DID ANYTHING HAPPEN?
HAAH
I WAS RECOMENDED INTO THIS SCHOOL SO I GUESS THERE'S NO PROBLEM
OH, LIKE THAT!
OKAY
I'LL GO FIRST

THE REGIONAL COMPETITION IS GOING START AT THE END OF THIS MONTH RIGHT?
CAN YOU HELP CONDUCT KOSHINO'S INTENSE TRAINING?
Ah. In the end The coach did choose Koshino as the catcher.
YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT.
So are you willing to help?
SO?
AH, HOW TO SAY IT...
If it's within my abilities, I'm happy to help.
That's great!
We will start tomorrow after school. Also onwards from the day after tomorrow I'll leave the mornings to you
SIGH
AH, AND ALSO SINCE BOTH OF YOU ARE FROM THE SAME POSITION
PLUS YOU ALSO TAKE QUITE GOOD CARE OF KOSHINO
YOU'RE VERY GOOD AT COACHING PEOPLE.
BUT ARE YOU SURE YOU WANT ME TO DO IT?
AH, TO ME IT'S NO PROBLEM.
...MORNING PRACTICES?
WHY?
YOU CAN'T MAKE IT?
AH...
...NO

Haha!
If it's like that then that guy must be full of fighting spirit!
Because if it's like that, that person-
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack
Oh yeah! Then it became an unexpected reversal!
clack clack clack clack
Good-bye!
Bye
clack clack clack clack
Before the school- Before the school-
Doesn't care about what I think--
AH
OPEN

clack clack clack clack clack clack clack clack
I COULDN'T SAY IT
THE FACT THAT I WON'T TAKE THIS TRAIN FROM NOW FROM TOMORROW ONWARDS
clack clack clack clack clack clack clack clack
BECAUSE
WE DIDN'T MAKE ANY PROMISES
IF I TOLD HIM ON PURPOSE IT WILL FEEL WEIRD...
WOULD HE BE WORRIED ABOUT ME?
WHAT WILL HAPPEN
I HAVEN'T CONFIRMED WITH THE COACH YET ON HOW LONG I NEED TO COACH MY JUNIOR.....
.....
BUT

REACH
I SHOULD HAVE JUST GOTTEN HIS PHONE NUMBER.
BUT
LIKE I SAID,
WE HAVEN'T MADE ANY PROMISES
FINE
ANYWAY, IT'S GOING TO END REALLY SOON.
IT SHOULD BE OKAY.

OH? I DIDN'T TELL YOU ABOUT THIS?
EH?
I HAVE TO COME NEXT WEEK TO COACH
IS IT EVERY DAY!?
EH!
UH!
I NEVER HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT THIS!?
DO I HAVE TO COME TOMORROW!?
YEAH.
ARE YOU BUSY WITH ANYTHING?
No... Not really... I'm not really busy...
...with anything... I can come
No problem...
OH.
IS THAT KIYO-SEMPAI!?
AH!
ISN'T THAT KIYO-SEMPAI!
AH LET ME TELL YOU FROM NEXT WEEK ONWARDS,
IT'S REALLY SEMPAI! DID SOMETHING HAPPEN? KIYO-SEMPAI
KIYOMIYA WILL COME TO PRACTICE FOR NOW
REALLY-
IS THERE NO WAY...

AH
NO, NO!

clack clack clack
OPEN!
YES!
YES!
RIGHT! LIKE THAT! KEEP IT!
BEND DOWN LOWER! ONE MORE!
Before the school before the school
The doors are closing.
Please do not try to board the train.

clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack
OH
BYE
YES!
Miyo-sempai Thank you for your hard work!
clack clack clack clack
tork tork tak clink
clack clack clack clink
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack

YES!
From today onwards let's work hard everyone!
AFTER THIS YOU CAN COME AND GO FROM SCHOOL AS PER NORMAL. YOU SHOULD GO HOME NOW. THE AFTER-SCHOOL BELL HAS ALREADY GONE OFF
AH. IT'S NOTHING
THANKS FOR YOUR HELP KIYOMIYA.
Thank you for teaching us!!
IT'S OKAY IF YOU DON'T HELP TO CLEAN UP.
THANKS COACH
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack

WHAT'S GOING ON THIS NERVOUS-NESS!!
IT CAN'T BE
IS HE ANGRY ...?
ANYWAY IT'S NOTHING SPECIAL
WE DIDN'T EVEN PROMISE EACH OTHER THAT WE WERE GOING TO SCHOOL TOGETHER
IF I APOLOGIZE IT SEEMS THAT I'M TOO SELF CONSCIOUS
clack clack clack clack
OH NO...
sweat
sweat
EVEN THOUGH IT'S LIKE THAT WHEN THE PERSON WHO TAKES THE SAME TRAIN IS GONE...
YOU WOULD AT LEAST BE A LITTLE WORRIED, RIGHT!?
BUT HE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THAT KIND OF PERSON...
INSTEAD HE LOOKS LIKE THE KIND WHO DOESN'T CARE ABOUT ANYTHING
BUT WHAT IF HE REALLY MIND'S AND IS WORRIED ABOUT MY SAFETY
HE SHOULD...
BE MAD AT ME, RIGHT? WHAT SHOULD I DO?
BUT OUR...
RELATION-SHIP
IS NOT SO GOOD THAT HE WOULD BE WORRIED I GUESS...

EH! I'M HERE ALREADY!
OH NO WHAT KIND OF REACTION WILL HE HAVE
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO FACE HIM....
AH.
GOOD MORNING
AH OH— MOR- NING
OPEN
TODAY, I'M FEELING SLEEPY AGAIN!
AH OKAY.
click click click click
HE'S ACTING NORMAL!!
B-BUT IT SHOULD BE LIKE THAT!
I KNEW IT FROM THE START WE ARE ONLY FRIENDS!!
DOKI DOKI
AH OH YEAH

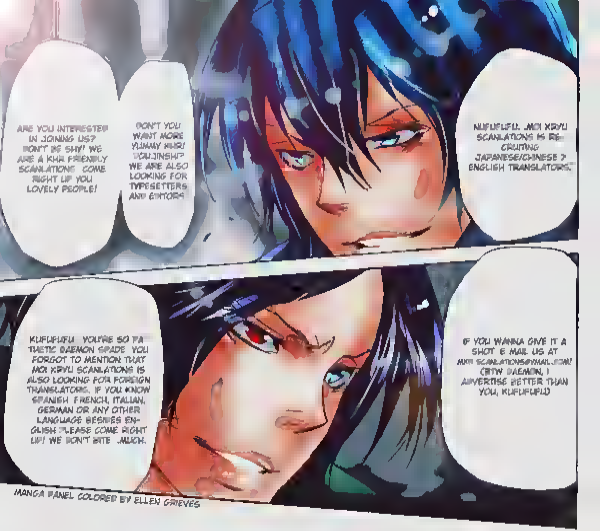
clack clack clack clack
WE HAVEN'T SEEN EACH OTHER FOR SOME TIME...
ABOUT THAT...
clack clack clack clack
Did anything happen?
clack clack clack clack
EH?
AH...
clack clack clack clack
EH...
STRANGE I THOUGHT YOU WITHDRAW FROM YOUR CLUB?
ABOUT THAT
I HAD CLUB ACTIVITIES...
clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack
AH IT'S DIFFERENT EVEN THOUGH I WENT I WAS ONLY THERE TO COACH MY JUNIOR
THE COMPETITIONS ARE COMING UP
I HAD TO GO IN THE MORNING AND AFTER SCHOOL
Ah...
So it's like that
...EH?

That's great
THAT'S...
blush
How do I put it?
Hmm...
I thought maybe I said something weird
relieved
But when I think about it,
I thought maybe you got a cold
But if it's a cold it's way too long
Anyway thank goodness it's not any of them I feel relieved.
How do I put it
Finally we were able to become friends. If it's because of that that we can't see each other anymore Isn't that really sad!
About that...
Hmm? There should be no problem— Is there any problem?
Did I do anything stupid?
EH!
NOTHING LIKE THAT!
ABSOLUTELY NOTHING!!
...ABOUT THAT

YEAH?
clack clack clack clack
WEIRD...
clack clack clack clack
?
clack clack clack clack
WHAT'S GOING ON?
IN THE END HE WAS WORRIED ABOUT ME
OH NO
EVEN SO...
WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME...
clack clack clack clack
YEAH
NO...
clack clack clack clack
WHAT HAPPENED?
clack clack clack clack

I'M SO HAPPY THAT
I CAN'T STAND IT...
Ah
Oh yeah!
About that!
If this happens again it kinda makes me lonely
even though this is a little deliberate
..Umm.
If you don't mind...
Can I have your number
..or something like that

AH.
Of... of course!
AH, REALLY? THAT'S GREAT!
IF THIS HAPPENS AGAIN IF IT'S CONVENIENT FOR YOU, I HOPE YOU CAN GIVE ME A TEXT AND TELL ME ABOUT IT.
SURE.
Okay!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KUFUFUFU.. YOU'RE SO YA TASTY, DAEMON SPADE. YOU FORGOT TO MENTION THAT MOI XRYU SCANLATIONS IS ALSO LOOKING FOR A FOREIGN TRANSLATORS. IF YOU KNOW SPANISH, FRENCH, ITALIAN, GERMAN, OR ANY OTHER LANGUAGE BESIDES ENGLISH, PLEASE COME RIGHT UP! WE DON'T BITE ..MUCH.
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Hm?
What's the next one?
Are you free next Sunday?
Ah, ha ha ha
YEAH, I AM
Great!!

SLOW STARTER
Chapter 3

A culture festival?
Yeah, there are a few...
NEXT WEEK.
EH
THEN...
Wanna come? To our school?
SURE!
Really?
YUP
EH...
ARE YOU GOING ALONE?
No, my friend asked me to go together
AH, I SEE
clack clack clack clack
chaka chaka chaka chaka

I heard that starting tomorrow we're going to become co-ed
Yep
EHH... SERIOUSLY?!
but I graduate by that time.
Pfft hahaha
That really makes it pointless then huh!
Feels like everyone's going because of the girls
GIRLS?
WHY WOULD THEY COME ESPECIALLY TO SEE THE GIRLS?
Clack Clack Clack Clack
Because we're an all guys school
Clack Clack Clack Clack
So then Ino your school doesn't have any culture festivals?
WE JUST HAD IT LAST WEEK
EH REALLY?
Clack Clack Clack Clack
BUT IT WAS REALLY LAME AND WE DIDN'T OPEN IT TO THE PUBLIC
That's why I'm really jealous of a school that is so passionate about both sports festivals and culture festivals
HA..
OUR SCHOOL IS REALLY SERIOUS ABOUT THOSE FESTIVALS
It makes me feel like high school life is so fun!
Clack Clack Clack Clack
Clack Clack Clack Clack
Pfft hahaha
That's the sorta thing an old man would say!
Wahaha!
Clack Clack Clack Clack

Campus stop
OH...
Campus stop
GU-DONG
SPEAKING OF WHICH, I WONDER WHAT KIYO'S CLASS IS GOING TO PREPARE...
clack clack clack clack
AH...
YOUR STOP IS HERE...
Well then, I'll ask you tomorrow!
YUP...
SEE YOU!

clack clack clack clack
clack clack clack clack
CLOSE
RING RING RING
WHAT DID KIYO JUST SEND?

"ALSO YOU DON'T NEED TO REPLY TO THIS MESSAGE"
Our class.
perform
Ah
La
Ha
REALLY NOW
KIYO?

HM?
IT'S SO RARE TO SEE KIYO PARTICIPATING IN OUR CLASS ACTIVITIES
IDIOT, DON'T MAKE IT SOUND LIKE HE HAS NO CLASS SPIRIT!
UP TIL LAST YEAR, IT WAS ALWAYS BECAUSE I HAD CLUB ACTIVITIES, THAT'S WHY I COULDN'T PARTICIPATE!
EH, REALLY...
SO THIS YEAR YOU DON'T HAVE BASEBALL CLUB?
YEAH, THERE IS...
IT'S AN ANNUAL TRADITION
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THE PERFORMANCE...
I'M TALKING ABOUT THE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ACTIVITIES...
YEAH, YEAH. I KNOW
YOUR LIFE SURE IS DULL...
DON'T BE LIKE THAT...
BUT AFTER YOU RETIRED FROM THE CLUB, NOTHING INTERESTING HAPPENED?
LIKE GIRL RELATED?

IT'S NOT LIKE THAT, IDIOT
Whaaaat? You got all quiet...
You could destructively vent a girlfriend if you tried.
YEAH, YOU'D THINK SO...
NN...
Hmmm Hmmm
CLAK
THIS SORTA THING
NO
THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE YOU CAN TAKE FOR GRANTED
OF COURSE WE'D LIKE GIRLS.
DOES THIS EVEN NEED TO BE SAID?
BECAUSE WE'RE GUYS.
"FEELS LIKE EVERYONE'S GOING BECAUSE OF THE GIRLS."

BUT I FEEL...
JUST A LITTLE BIT
I FEEL THAT IT'S GOTTEN REALLY UNINTERESTING
WHY IS THAT?
BAM!
BAM!
BAM!
AAAAAAARGHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!!!
SO ANNOYING SERIOUSLY SO SO ANNOYING!!
HEY KIYO, WHAT HAPPENED??
BAM!
...KIYO?

AH
YOU'RE AWAKE
...
AH,
SO THAT SUNDAY, I PLAN TO ARRIVE AFTER NOON
OH,
OH REA-LLY?
I'M SUPER EXCITED! I FEEL LIKE I'LL BE VERY LIVELY!
WHAT ARE YOU SO SURPRISED FOR?
GOOD MORNING!
WA
UWAAA AAAH!
SWAY

HAHA, NO I WAS JUST KIDDING AS WELL.
WAHAHA.
YOU'RE SO NERVOUS!
KIDDING! I WAS ONLY KIDDING!!
THEN MAYBE I SHOULDN'T GO.
REALLY ?!
WHO KNOWS... THERE'S REALLY NOT THAT MUCH TO LOOK FORWARD TO...
Ah~
Is that so!
OUR SCHOOL HAS A LOT OF GIRLS.
WELL...
YEAH.
GRIPS

clank clank clank clank clank clank clank clank
WELL... I GUESS NO MATTER WHAT, THAT'S STILL A REASON TO ATTEND
THOSE LOWLY GUYS
clank clank clank clank
Ah...
Is that so... So jealous!
BUT... WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE YOU REALLY NEED TO GET INVOLVED WITH THEM
clank clank clank clank
Well... There really seems to be a lot of adorable girls there...
clank clank clank clank
Ah... But I'm sure in school there's a lot of confessing or being confessed to! Such a spirit of youth in the air!
YEAH, BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN OR EXPERIENCED THAT SORT OF THING --
ISN'T IT JUST A BUNCH OF GOSSIP?
clank clank clank clank
Kiyo never experienced that sort of thing?
OPENS
Gangan shop
Gangan shop
NO, I DON'T! BESIDES, WHY WOULD I SAY SUCH PESSIMISTIC THINGS IF THEY WEREN'T TRUE...
Saying that again
You're always saying stuff like that!
YEAH RIGHT! I'M NOT THAT DESIRABLE...

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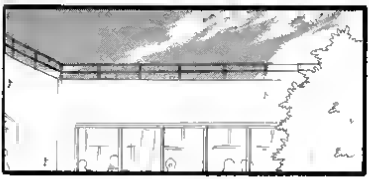

Uwaaaaa!
It's huge!!
KIYO ALWAYS COMES TO THIS SORT OF PLACE FOR CLASS
Well then~~!
What now? We're going to go find some girls
AH, WELL THEN I'M GOING TO GO WANDER AROUND
Ah, me too, me too
NN, OKAY, THEN WE'LL MEET UP LATER.
WHAT'RE YOU GOING TO DO?
I'm going to go look around while I look for my friend.

Ah
That's kind of you
OK then I'll go with you
What, don't look so unwilling
Ah ha ha

KIYO WHICH CLASS IS HE IN?
INO WHAT CLASS IS YOUR FRIEND IN?
I DON'T KNOW
EH?!

AH...
WELL FIRST LET'S GO EAT SOME STIR FRIED UDON NOODLES!
Then let's just start searching from the tunnel then.
I'M SO HUNGRY
Oh, OK
LANG
I GUESS SO
NN, YEAH,
AH...
THERE'S SO LITTLE SAUCE
Yeah. But although the noodles aren't that tasty at this time, eating them isn't so bad
Ah!
It's the one that's catching the ball right now!
UGH, HE'S WEARING A HELMET SO I CAN'T SEE WHO IT IS!

Ah, that's true. As long as you're with me, it shouldn't be a problem.
Basically, we should start from the A class and search one by one right?
So, what should we do after this?
So cute.
Ah Kiyo really does look the most gorgeous when he's playing baseball!!
He's a pretty normal guy in our class though.
Ahh so handsome! Drop-dead gorgeous!
Eh? Who is he? What kind of person is he?
Bound
bounce bounce
Well, it doesn't matter.
Because it's not like I had anything planned anyway.
I already said when he's wearing a helmet, you can't see his face clearly!
I already said that it isn't because of the face!!
People of your type simply wouldn't understand!
Well pardon me then.
But I know what he really looks like!

At least I haven't heard any...
Ah, really? You mean there's really no gossip about him and girls?
Will it be OK like this? Kiyo doesn't seem to have any interest in girls...
...I might as well try confessing today
WELL LET'S GO SEARCH THEN!
AH!
INO?
AH... EHH?
NN!
That, huh
THUD
I SAID THAT WE SHOULD START FROM THE A CLASS NOW
SORRY
WHAT'D YOU SAY?
Would you listen properly when people speak?
You finished talking?
AH YUP
YUP
What a moment!
Ahhh, hahaha

HE SAID IT WAS A CULTURE FESTIVAL BUT HOW COME THERE WAS A SPORTS PERFORMANCE? AND IT DEFINITELY SOUNDS LIKE BASEBALL...
IS THERE SOMEONE ELSE NAMED KIYO?
...EH?
HE... SHOULD BE RETIRED FROM THE CLUB RIGHT?
KIYO SHOULD BE...

EH?
KOGURE?
Ah ha ha
Yah
Annoying
KUBO?!
Definitely kubota
You dork go away!

Long time no see dude!
I never would have imagined that you could have gotten into this school you delinquent!
Yeah well your hair is ridiculously long you punk. It's disgusting!
WHO ASKED YOU?
But seriously it really has been a long time! Seems you're doing well though
Ah
AH?
Hey, Ino!
SORRY, I'LL GO FIND YOU LATER.
OK!
HM?
AH, THIS GUY'S MY FRIEND FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL KOGURE
WE CAN ASK THIS GUY.
WHAT'S YOUR FRIEND'S NAME?
WILL HE KNOW?
AH, BUT
AH! IS THAT SO!
YOU'RE LOOKING FOR YOUR FRIEND?
WHAT'S HIS NAME?
AH
UMM.
KIYO
Eh!

That's great news!
You know him?
Is there more than one person named Kiyo?
Hmm... I doubt that there is

KIYO?
YOU MEAN KIYO-KUN?

AH!
YES!

AH—
WELL THEN—

AH!
YES, I AM. I AM!
You're talking about the baseball player Kiyo right?

Kiyo-kun should probably be down at the clubroom for the performance so he's probably not over here
EH?
OH...
THEN...
EH?
So the sports clubs also have to perform?
Well, that depends on the club
But in general the students at our school really like huge events so even the sports clubs choose to participate
Eh, it sounds really fun and interesting!
AH, I GUESS SO
AND...
So even the people who retired from the club will participate?
AH, WELL THAT'S HARD TO SAY
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE OTHER CLUBS BUT FOR THE BASEBALL CLUB, A LOT OF THE 3RD YEAR STUDENTS WILL COME OUT TO PERFORM
PEOPLE FROM MY CLASS ALSO JOINED

Ah... ah...
Is that so...
...
...IS THAT SO...
But really,
it truly is a spectacular culture festival
...
Yeah, our school is so big that no matter how we do it, it's always going to turn into such a huge event

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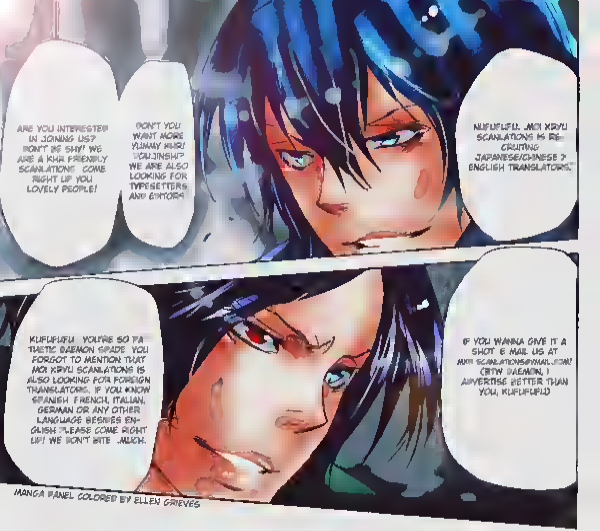
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That's definitely cheating!
How can it be when I can't even hit a single ball!
Stop your nonsense!
The hint from the catcher is the key to victory!
But your opponent is an amateur! Can't you just let them try to hit it and be happy about it!?
rustle
rustle

!
Isn't that Ino!
...Hi.

SLOW STARTER 4

Just arrived?
No
I sent you a text but I guess you didn't see it
EH?
A TEXT?
I LEFT IT IN MY BAG!!
AH...
JUST AS I THOUGHT
UWAH! I'M SORRY!
REALLY, REALLY SORRY!
Ha ha!
It's okay It's quite fun to hang around in your school
Right Okubo?
YEAH!

PONG
WHAT THE!? WHO CHEATED ON YOU!
THAT'S GREAT THEY LOOK REALLY HAPPY
Ahahahaha
YEAH
UWAH
YOU CHEATED! STUPID
Wah!
OH YEAH, DOES THE BASEBALL CLUB HAVE ANY EVENTS?
YEAH WE HAVE
IT'S CALLED BAT
BATTING CENTER!
CRASH
THE CHEATING KIND!
OH, I SEE
URGH!
IF YOU CAN HIT THE BALL YOU GET CASH REFUNDS!
THAT'S CHEAP!
ONE BALL FOR 10YEN
EH! CAN I?
DO YOU WANNA TRY?
AH.
Uwah!
That's awesome!
I wanna go and have a look!
YEAH!
LET'S GO TOGETHER

Then, let's go now!
Kiyo, don't you need to go for your class activities?
It's okay!
No one is expecting anything from me anyway
THAT'S TRUE
CATCH
PAK
PAK
Wah!

IT'S THE PROBLEM WITH YOUR ABILITIES
IDIOT!
DEFINITELY CHEATING!
After the next one who loses it's my turn~
Okay!
WHY CAN'T I HIT THE BALL!!
UWAH!
KIYO SHOULD TRY TOO
AH
BUT I'M CONSIDERED AS ONE OF THOSE WHO ARE IN CHARGE OF THIS
NO, NO
I MEAN CATCHING
PAK
YOU'RE A CATCHER, RIGHT?
Ah
EH
THAT'S WEIRD
DID I EVER TELL YOU ABOUT MY POSITION IN THE BASEBALL TEAM?
PAK
EH?
UH.....

Actually
just now I was already playing!
Plus I already retired, I shouldn't go overboard!
It's okay!
Ah
...
THE TIP OF YOUR BAT IS SLIGHTLY LOWERED IF YOU USE YOUR KNEES AND ELBOWS WHILE HITTING, IT SHOULD BE BETTER
COULDN'T HIT ANY AT ALL... THERE ARE TWO TYPES OF BALLS
OH! QUICK BACKUP
OKAY! NEXT ONE!
AH! I'M MAD! I CAN'T HIT ANY AT ALL!
EH?
AND THEN YOUR SWINGS ARE SLIGHTLY LATE IF YOU SWING A BIT EARLIER, YOU CAN PROBABLY HIT THE BALL
OH.. REALLY?

I'LL GO AND TRY AGAIN
Good luck!
HMM?
PONG
WOAH!
OH ...!
OOH ...!
WAIT! AGAIN, AGAIN!!
THE BALL JUST NOW!
BEFORE I FORGET THE FEELING, AGAIN PLEASE!

INO.
HMM?
HE'S BACK TO THE ORIGINAL FORM
AH HA HA!
SWING
PAK
I WAS ONCE MY BROTHER'S TARGET FOR PITCHING PRACTICE
...
...COULD IT BE YOU PLAYED BASEBALL BEFORE?
EH.
I DIDN'T EVEN HAVE ANY CLUB ACTIVITIES
HE'S AN OFFICIAL PITCHER, RIGHT?
CAN I HIT IT?
EH!
...DO YOU WANT TO TRY HITTING?
NO WORRIES...

AS I THOUGHT THE SPEED OF THE BALL IS REALLY FAST!
HMM
MAT-SUDA!
ONE MORE!
Okay!
SWISH
SWING
PAK

HIT
Mat-suda!!
One more!!
OH!
PONG
HAHA!
RISE
OH!
Ko-shino!
Let me try!

WAIT.
EH?
Okay!
Fine fine! just for 5 balls!
EH?
I ALSO WANT TO PLAY!
KIYO-SEMPAI YOU'RE SO SLY!
WHAT?!
Haa
Haa
KIYO?
PAT
Next up is the showdown between the experienced ones!
EH...
ROGER!!
5 BALLS!
HERE!
Mat-suda!
WHAT?!

I'M NOT EXPERIENCED. I'M ONLY AN AMATEUR IN BASEBALL.
PLUS I ONLY PLAYED FOR A SHORT WHILE.
HMM?
STOP BEING SILLY.
Then how about this. If you hit any of the balls I will treat you to ramen later
WHAT!?
OKAY!
SWISH

PAK
OKAY!
NEXT BALL!
HEY!
ISN'T THAT BALL BIT LOWERED!?
THE EXPERIENCED ONES SHOULD KNOW 5 TYPES OF BALL
WHAT!? THAT'S TOO CUNNING!!
OH, AND ALSO, IF YOU DON'T HIT ANY OF THE BALLS, YOU WILL HAVE TO TREAT ME TO RAMEN.
WHAT?! YOU SHOULD HAVE SAID SO EARLIER!!

Okay!
Next ball!
DAMN! I DEFINITELY WON'T LOSE!
Ha Ha Ha Ha
WHAP
PINK
OH!

URGH! TO KNOW 5 TYPES OF BALLS THAT'S DEFINITELY CHEATING.
SWING
PAK
Hahaha!
But in the end you still lost
CHE!
Oh yeah Let me think what kind of Ramen you should treat me to
AH!
LET'S JUST EAT MISO RAMEN
Eh!
You like Miso Ramen as well?!
EH? YEAH! MY FAVOURITE
Wah! That's the same as me!
This is my first time meeting someone who likes Miso Ramen too!
Haha!
Everyone was saying how much they like Pork Ramen

KIYO
HMM?
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT SOME WEIRD BOTTLES APPEARED ON THE GROUND
HUH?
WHAT'S THAT?
SHOULD I REPORT IT TO CAPTAIN?
NO NEED TO
I'LL GO TAKE A LOOK FIRST
Ahahaha!
Hahaha!
What did you guys find?
Ah
Right! Ino-kun
HMM?
INO-KUN AND KIYO, WHERE DID YOU GUYS KNOW EACH OTHER?
CLUB ACTIVITIES?
AH
NOPE WE TAKE THE SAME TRAIN EVERY DAY AND EVENTUALLY WE GOT TO KNOW EACH OTHER
Oh!
I see

Where did you go today?
Umm I ate dumplings, drank soft drinks, ate cotton candy, waffles, and some snacks
What?
It's all food!
AH
THAT'S BECAUSE I DIDN'T EAT BREAKFAST THIS MORNING
AFTER THAT, I ATE FRIED NOODLES TOO.
...
URGH!
AHHH!!
EH?
SHOCKED
WHAT...
WHAT HAPPENED!?
NO-NOTHING!
I CAN'T BELIEVE I ONLY REMEMBERED ABOUT HAVING FUN!
EH?
WHAT'S WRONG WITH HAVING FUN?
WHEN IS THE CULTURAL FESTIVAL ENDING?!
EH?
IT'S GOING TO END VERY SOON
Ahhh
EH, DID ANYTHING HAPPEN?
NO.
..IT'S JUST

Are you serious?! What kind of girl!?
Umm How do I put it Her hair is about this long..
Was she wearing our school's uniform?
Ah, yup
UMM... JUST NOW, A GIRL WITH KIYO...
EHHH
WHO IS IT... SHOULD WE GO LOOK FOR HER?
UMM, SO...
Hehe
I THINK SHE SAID SHE IS GOING TO CONFESS TODAY... SO...
AH SO THAT'S WHAT IT'S ABOUT
YOU TRIED TO LET KIYO BE ALONE TODAY, AM I RIGHT?
But in the end, I didn't do it
IT'S OKAY WE STILL HAVE THE AFTER PARTY
GENERALLY SPEAKING IF SHE WANTS TO CONFESS MOST PROBABLY SHE WILL DO IT DURING THE AFTER PARTY RIGHT?
AH... I SEE
Wahahah!

NO!
YOU CAN'T!
WHAT KIND OF EXPRESSION WILL HE PUT ON...
BUT SPEAKING OF WHICH SOMEONE ACTUALLY HAS A CRUSH ON KIYO? THIS IS INTERESTING~
I really want to see it!
Hehe
AH! REALLY?!
THEN LET ME GUARD HIM. I CAN TRY TO LET HIM BE ALONE
IF IT'S LIKE THIS
EH?
INO?
ARE-
ARE YOU GOING BACK ALREADY?
LET'S GO, OKUBO
YUP.
OKAY!
IT'S ALREADY THIS LATE
LIKE-
LIKE THIS...

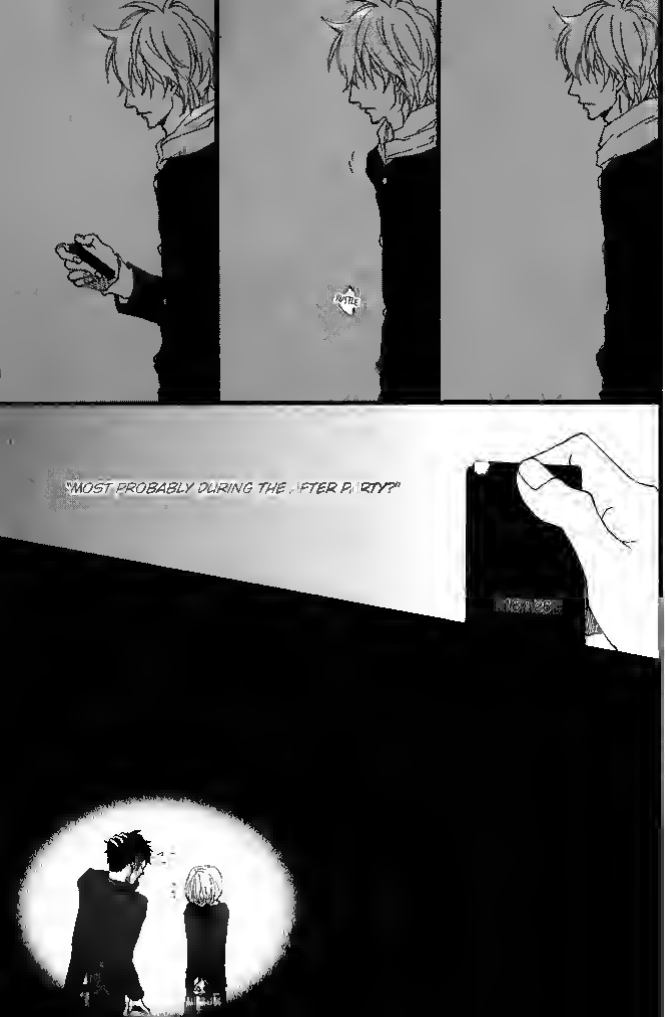
Good luck!
So...
ERM...
ER
Okay...
Ah...
BYE!
Bye!
...WHY "GOOD LUCK"?
AH?

Today was such a fun day!
Especially that Fujikawa person!
That guy... He's such a scaredy-cat.
....
WHAT HAPPENED?
EH?
WHAT "WHAT HAPPENED"?
YOU LOOK A BIT WEIRD.
EH?
DO I HAVE MUD ON MY FACE?!
NO. NOT LIKE THAT.
IT'S LIKE YOU HAVE SOMETHING ON YOUR MIND...
...AH, SORRY. MAYBE I'M JUST THINKING TOO MUCH.
COME TO THINK OF IT, ARE YOU HUNGRY? LET'S GO FOR SOME RAMEN.
AH.
OKAY...
ED
NGK-

"AFTER THIS, I'LL TREAT YOU TO RAMEN!"
"MOST PROBABLY DURING THE AFTER PARTY?"
WAH! THAT'S THE SAME AS ME!
WHAT KIND OF EXPRESSION WILL HE PUT ON
Ahh
Okay
Let's eat Pork Ramen.
What kind of Ramen should we eat?

OKURO DO YOU HAVE A GIRLFRIEND?
AHA?
WHY ARE YOU SUDDENLY ASKING ABOUT THIS?
SORRY, BUT I REALLY DON'T HAVE ONE.
SO IF A GIRL CAME AND CONFESSED TO YOU YOU'LL BE REALLY HAPPY RIGHT ?
WHAT?
OF COURSE!
YOU'RE RIGHT.
IF IT WAS ME, I WOULD BE HAPPY TOO.
WHAT HAPPENED ALL OF THE SUDDEN?
NO-THING..
JUST JEALOU...
HUH?
WHAT?
Thanks for visiting!

YEAH
BYE
Bye!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BEEP

Inbox
Kyo
Re: Re: Re:
11/06 18:36
Thank you.
Glad that you came.
Had a lot of fun!
See you tomorrow
morning!
TM ><
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK

How was the after party?
Yeah, me too ♪
See you tomorrow! ♪
Message Sent!
100%

CLICK

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INO!

LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING!
I'VE GOTTEN A GIRLFRIEND!

Recap

After Akyo arrived, he started taking the train to school. On his train rides, he met Ino, a student from another school. Because of this, Akyo's habit of oversleeping grew worse. They were able to start talking to each other from the onset. Due to the unique distance between them, they felt happy, but at the same time, when Akyo was still in the school festival started. Ino went to the festival as a visitor, but he accidentally hurt Akyo's knee. Ino's friend confessed to Akyo after hearing him in the school festival. Ino hit the school nurse, but he was still concerned about his feelings. Akyo was unable to make a confession to Akyo after hearing him in the school festival. Ino hit the school nurse, but he was still concerned about how the contest went.

Thank you!

Ahh~ I'm really happy because of this!

Really!? Congratulations!

Dunno the after party. She confessed to me.

What happened?

What?

What's with the expression?

Eh?

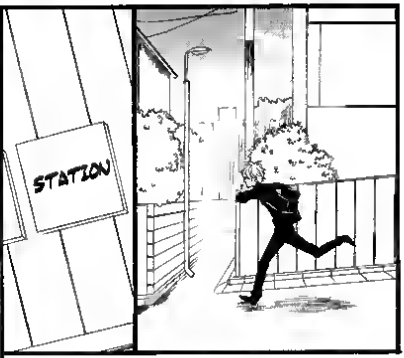
I- What happened?

Eh?
Wh-
Because you-
Kiyo..
Kiyo!?
Wait, eh..

UWAH

WAAAAAH!! WHAT WAS WITH THAT DREAM!? WHAT DOES IT MEAN!?
WHAT...
AHH!

Hmm
Pant
Pant
Hmm


STATION

IF YOU SET YOUR MIND ON SOMETHING, YOU CAN DO ANYTHING
IT'S REALLY COOL
Kata Kata
I MADE IT
Kata Kata
DOORS OPEN
HAAH
Hooh
Hooh
Hooh
8 7 6 5
Hooh

EH...?

Kuta Kuta
Kuta
AH!
BLINK BLINK
SMILE
IT'S FROM KIYO
15 MINUTES AGO...
I WAS RUNNING LIKE MAD AT THAT TIME
AH!
WHAT DOES IT SAY...
OH, HOLIDAY...
I SEE IT'S BECAUSE OF THE FESTIVAL.
I SEE
click
click
click click
SO TODAY AND TOMORROW WILL BE HOLIDAYS FOR THEM...
I SEE

WAS HE CONFESSED TO...?
HOW DID IT GO...?
...IN THE END...
HOW ON EARTH DID IT GO...?
rub
rub
WHAT HAPPENED?
KIYO HE
KICK
GOT A GIRL-FRIEND
KICK
OH YEAH...
NATURALLY, I ADMIRE HIM
...THIS KIND OF THING
HAVING A GIRLFRIEND IS IT REALLY THAT COOL?
WHY AM I LIKE THIS...?

Katakata
Katakata
Katakata
HOW GOOD IS IT TO HAVE A GIRLFRIEND ?
REALLY GOOD
ISN'T IT ?
OH, AND MILK
FRIED NOODLES SANDWICH BREAD AND FRIED PORK CHOP BREAD
OKUBO, DO YOU WANT ME TO HELP YOU GET SOMETHING?
I'M GOING!
GETS UP
I'm so hungry
WANNA GET SOMETHING TO EAT?
INO!
DING
DONG
OKAY
I'm so tired, don't feel like moving
Let's go to the canteen
Milk
EH REALLY?
AH, I SEE
HE GOT ONE YESTERDAY
EH? SAGAWA HAS A GIRLFRIEND ?
REALLY
SAID HE WENT DATING
HE SKIPPED SCHOOL
OH YEAH WHAT HAPPENED TO SAGAWA TODAY?
Didn't see him at all
LOOKS AROUND
YAWNS

EH...
KIND?
YOU ARE REALLY KIND-HEARTED...
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN THINKING THIS...
ISN'T THIS GOOD? JUST SHOW HIM YOUR SUPPORT!
THIS SUCKS, BOTH OF US WERE TOGETHER WHY DIDN'T I GET ONE TOO?!
THAT'S SO COOL! HE GOT ONE SO FAST...
Can't figure it out...
AHAHA!
YUP!
YEAH, YEAH...
GUYS LIKE HIM SHOULD BLOW THEMSELVES UP!
WHY IS HE THE ONLY ONE WITH A GIRLFRIEND AND I'M STILL SINGLE!!
DANG!
THIS FEELING OF UNEASYNESS
...WHAT'S GOING ON?
WEIRD?

Kata Kata
Kata Kata
Train No.1
Is reaching the station
Kata Kata
Kata Kata
closes

Kata Kata
ABOUT THE AFTER PARTY...
Kata Kata
TOMORROW I'LL ASK HIM ABOUT IT
Kata Kata
Kata Kata
Kata Kata
Next station! In front of North High! In front of North High!

Ino
Morning!
AH!
MORNING!
YESTERDAY YOU WENT ON A DATE RIGHT?
Yeah!
Wanna see? Wanna see?
She's super cute!
Ahaha!
Okay lemme see her.

Okay you'll get a girlfriend sooner or later Don't worry!
SO TALKATIVE! YOUR SUPERIOR ATTITUDE IS REALLY GETTING ON MY NERVES!!
Hey isn't that Satoshi? Don't ignore me! You come over and take a look too!!
RIGHT? RIGHT??
So cute! Ah~
SO NOISY!
DON'T TALK TO ME!
Plus I saw it the day before yesterday
Yeah! Thank you!
THAT'S REALLY GREAT!
CONGRATULATIONS!
....
EH?

EVEN THOUGH I'M REALLY THINKING LIKE THAT...
That's great!
Yeah! Thank you!
WEIRD?
...EH?
I GOT A GIRLFRIEND!
throb

WHAT....
throb
WHAT'S .. GOING ON?
throb
I GOT
A GIRLFRIEND.
BUT THAT WAS JUST A DREAM.
A GIRL-FRIEND? HE WAS CONFESSED?
throb
GOT?
throb
...EVEN THOUGH IT'S A DREAM
throb
throb

BUT I

HATE IT LIKE THAT.

RUNS TO THE STATION

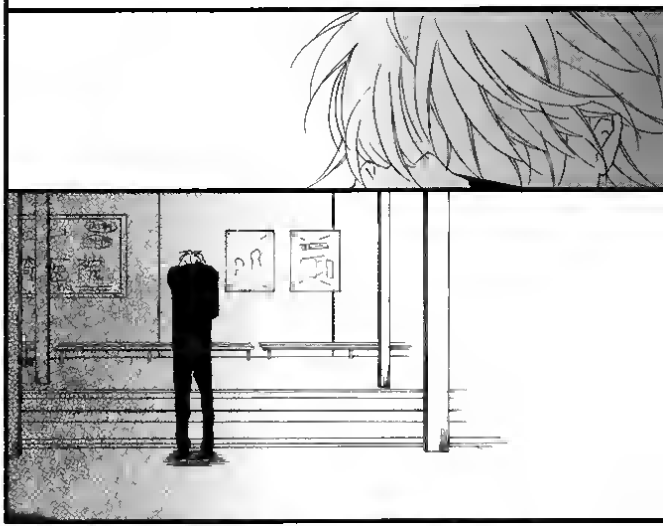
Doors are closing.
IN THE END I DIDN'T GET ON THE TRAIN
I-
WHAT AM I DOING?
Kata Kata
Kata! Kata!
Kata Kata
KIYO
IS INSIDE THE TRAIN
BUT
I'M SCARED
TO MEET HIM

WHY?
I DON'T UNDER-STAND...
REALLY...
I DON'T UNDER-STAND
MESSAGE
rustle
...
...

Message
From Kiyo
What happened?
Not feeling well?
thump
Train
No.1
is reaching
the station.

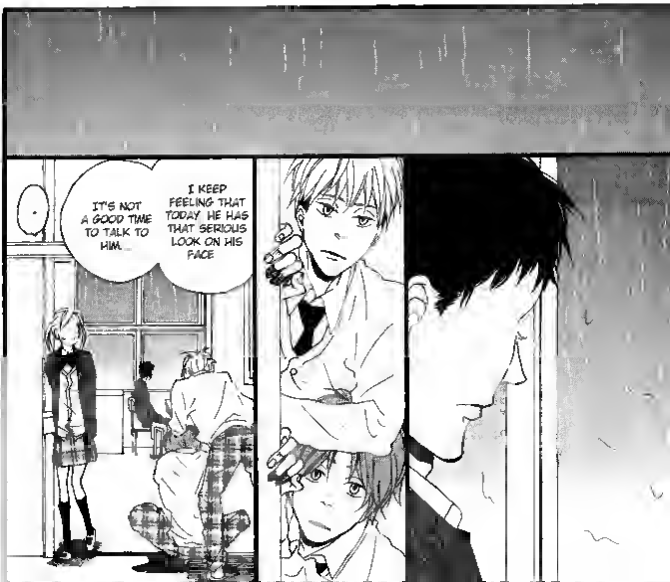
Idiot!
But, since you're late already,
take it slowly!

Don't be late!



YOU GUYS GO FIRST
I'M GOING FOR SOME FRESH AIR
Gets up
OH
OKAY...
AH...
SURE.
WANNA EAT? WE'RE GOING TO THE CANTEEN.
YEAH?
Ino!
WHAT?
BUMP
wobble wobble
BUMP
IT HURTS! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
TODAY WE CAN'T EVEN HAVE A PROPER TALK WITH HIM!
EVEN THOUGH HE LOOKS A BIT BLUNK SOMETIMES NOW IT LOOKS EVEN MORE SERIOUS!!
I SAY LOOK AT INO! WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?!
EVEN THOUGH THAT LOOK OF HIS IS QUITE INTERESTING...
WHAT HAPPENED? AREN'T YOU ALL GOING TO THE CANTEEN?
YEAH?
HEY!
HEY, OKUBO!

BUT MAYBE HE'S WORRIED ABOUT FURTHER EDUCATION?
ACTUALLY I'M NOT REALLY SURE
REALLY?
I SEE...
AH, IF IT'S ABOUT THAT THEN DON'T WORRY.
THAT TIME WE COMPLETELY FORGOT ABOUT YOU GUYS TOO.
IS IT BECAUSE ON SUNDAY WE DUMPED YOU GUYS AND LEFT FIRST AND HE'S ANGRY ABOUT IT?
THEN WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?


IT'S NOT A GOOD TIME TO TALK TO HIM...
I KEEP FEELING THAT TODAY HE HAS THAT SERIOUS LOOK ON HIS FACE

UWAH!
KIYO IS SO BORING!
FUJI
LET'S GO
IT'S FINE. DON'T DISTURB HIM.
PULLS

BEEP
SLAM
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
....
Basically, I didn't sleep for the whole night.

I'm sorry!

TODAY
I HAVE TO RIDE IN IT
THE TRAIN
....
AND I'M TIRED BECAUSE OF THE TENSION FROM THE STRANGE IMAGES.
FOR NOW
I'LL HAVE TO FACE HIM—
I CAN'T KEEP WASTING TIME...

WHAT DOES IT...

"IT'S OKAY!"...?

MEAN...

ANYWAY...
KIYO HAS A WEAK LOOK.
SO IF THIS KIND OF THING HAPPENED ON HIM, HE WILL ONLY FEEL INCOMPATIBLE.
FOR SURE...
FOR SURE...
YEAH.

Train No.1
is reaching the station.
PAK

ZOOOM

SIGH
CLOSE

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YESTERDAY, KIYO SOMEHOW REALISED THAT I WANTED TO AVOID TAKING THE TRAIN TOGETHER.

MAYBE

MAYBE DOING THIS UPSETS HIM...

BECAUSE I THOUGHT KIYO MIGHT ALREADY HAVE A GIRLFRIEND AND I CAN'T GENUINELY BE HAPPY FOR HIM SO I DIDN'T WANT TO TAKE THE SAME TRAIN

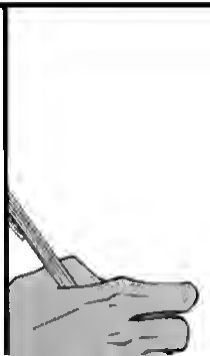
MORE-OVER, THE REASON FOR THIS IS...

HOW?

THIS KIND OF REASON...

WHAT,

IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH MY BRAIN?



I FELL IN LOVE WITH KIYO.

then you take this formula
and substitute it here.
SLOW STARTER
Final

WHAT'S THE MATTER?
.....
HEY.
WE'RE CHANGING CLASSES ALREADY.
NOT FEELING WELL?
OKU-BO...
AH?
PATTS
I...
MIGHT HAVE FINALLY GONE INSANE...
HUH?
HURRY UP, WILL YOU?
TIME TO CHANGE CLASSES
OKAY.
SLAPS
....
REAL-LY.

MM.
I LIKE HIM.
The train is approaching the station.
Please stand behind the white line.
THIS RELATIONSHIP CAME SO NATURALLY, I DIDN'T EVEN REALIZE.
MAYBE IT STARTED WHEN I MET HIM.
I HAVE ALWAYS LIKED HIM.

IF WE MEET,
WHAT SHOULD I SAY?
Kata Kata
Kata Kata
The train doors are
closing.
RIGHT NOW I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHETHER KIYO IS ALREADY DA-DATING THE GIRL...
MORE-OVER
MY FEELINGS FOR KIYO WILL ONLY CAUSE HIM TROUBLE.
I NEED TO EXPLAIN TO HIM ABOUT NOT TAKING THE SAME TRAIN FOR THE LAST FEW DAYS.
BUT LIKE THIS HE WILL DEFINITELY ASK WHY..
IF IT'S LIKE THAT.
THEN WHAT SHOULD I DO?
....
BE-CAUSE I AM A GUY.

Enter station
After that...
Seriously it can't be...?
WAH! HAH HAH HAH HA!
SPEEDING THROUGH
EVEN IF I CONFESSED TO HIM, IN THE END THERE WILL BE NOTHING BUT THAT SHORT MOMENT OF SELF-SATISFACTION.
I'M SURE
IN THE END HE WILL THINK THAT I AM REALLY DISGUSTING...

THIS SUCKS
...
...MAYBE, MAYBE
AFTER THIS I SHOULDN'T TAKE THE TRAIN ANYMORE.
Train No. 1
The doors are closing.
STARTS MOVING
kata
kata
The doors are closing.

MAYBE HE WENT TO CLUB ACTIVITIES
OR MAYBE HE RETURNED A WHILE AGO.
OR MAYBE HE'S RESTING TODAY — THAT'S ALSO POSSIBLE
OR,
HE KNEW I WOULD TAKE THIS TRAIN SO HE TOOK ANOTHER TRAIN...
....
OR SOMETHING —

T/N: Bubble is probably about the train doors closing or something. Translator couldn't read it.

The doors are closing.
Kata kata
Kata kata
SHOCKED
!
AH!
INO

WHY-
WHY IS HE HERE...?
I WANTED TO
AC-
ACTUAL-LY
APOLO-GIZE...
FOR WHAT?
UH ABOUT THAT...
PRE-VIOUSLY... DURING THE FESTIVAL,
YOU CAME SO I WAS REALLY, REALLY HAPPY ...SO HAPPY THAT I WENT OVERBOARD
UNCONSCIOUSLY I STARTED PLAYING WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND LEFT YOU OUT. I WAS WONDERING IF IT WAS BECAUSE OF THIS REASON THAT YOU'RE UNHAPPY

EVEN THOUGH YOU MIGHT THINK THAT IT'S DISGUSTING FOR ME TO DO THIS
I WAS THINKING IF I WAITED HERE I WOULD DEFINITELY BE ABLE TO SEE YOU BUT AS TIME PASSED YOU STILL DIDN'T COME SO I THOUGHT YOU REALLY WERE
AVO-
AVOIDING ME
...
ACTUALLY, I WANTED TO APOLOGIZE YESTERDAY
BUT...
I DIDN'T MEET YOU.
SO I PLANNED TO SAY IT TODAY BUT THIS MORNING BECAUSE OF MY FEVER I OVERSLEPT
I REALLY WANTED TO APOLOGIZE... BUT WHEN I LEFT, I FORGOT MY CELL PHONE
EH?
EH?
....
NO SO...
THAT
BECAUSE I'M REALLY IRRITATING
EH? SO...
WHAT ABOUT IT?
WHAT?
EH...?
IT CAN'T BE-?
YOU ARE
....
UH, LIKE I SAID,
...WHO ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
AVOIDING?
AVOIDING ME, RIGHT?
EH?
WHY!?

WHAT!? THAT KIND OF THING WILL NEVER HAPPEN!
OR THINK THAT I'M ANNOYING?
YOU'RE NOT ANGRY?
AVOIDING ME...?
...YOU WEREN'T...
SWOOSH
kata kata kata kata ta
...COME TO THINK OF IT, INSTEAD, IT'S...
ABOUT THAT, NO...
AB-
THAT... HOW TO SAY...
WHAT...!?
WH-
EH?
INSTEAD IT'S...?
kata kata
kata kata
turns head
THAT...
...TH-
-AT

!?
I-
INO!?
PULLS
SO-
SORRY!!
COME HERE FOR A BIT!!
SORRY ABOUT THAT!
NO!
AH,
IT'S JUST THAT THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE OUTSIDE.
YOU WANT ME TO GO TO THE TOILET WITH YOU?
UH ...
AH, OH!
I UNDER-STAND!
COME TO THINK OF IT...
... INO?
WHAT'S WRONG?

ABOUT THAT GIRL...

IF I DON'T ASK ABOUT HER NOW, I WILL CAUSE TROUBLE FOR KIYO.

HOLDING ON TO MY FEELINGS IS ONLY FOR SELF-SATISFACTION.

I UNDERSTAND THIS.

BUT... WHY?

EVEN THOUGH I UNDERSTAND...

KIYO..
HMM?
SORRY
I...
...THINK
...
I MIGHT
LIKE YOU!

SOUNDS VERY DISGUSTING, RIGHT...?
THIS.....
NO!
ABOUT THAT, I-
SORRY...
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!
E-EMM.....
...NO, THAT IS...

I ALSO, UHH...
....LIKE YOU.
NO.
...NO.
NOT THAT LIKE THAT!
NOT THAT LEVEL OF LIKE.
BLUSH
EH?
THAT-
NOT THAT KIND OF LIKE!?
NO, THAT'S WHY I SAID IT'S NOT.
I'M SAY-ING-
I-
I TOLD YOU I'M NOT!
NO, YOU MEAN YOU'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT THAT KIND OF LIKE'?

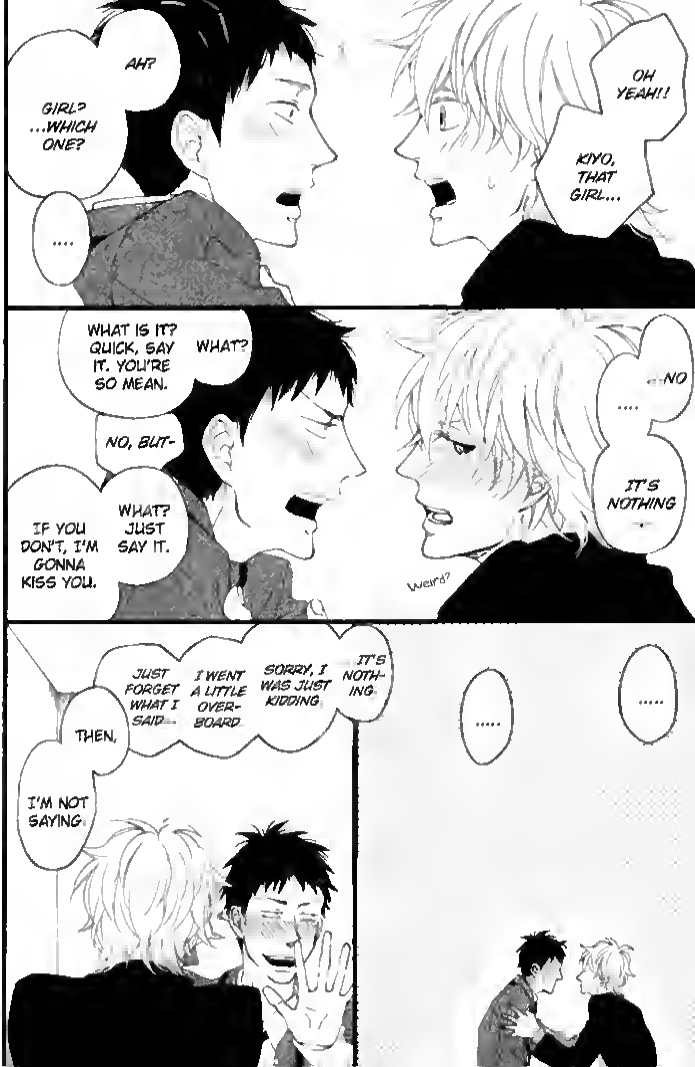
THIS WHAT'S GOING ON? EVERYTHING'S MESSED UP
EH, I MEAN-
EH, NO. IT CAN'T BE?
I-IN THE END, WHICH KIND OF OF LIKE IS IT?
.....
.....
.....
THAT ...
SO-
SORRY
EH!?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
I KNEW IT.
YOU FEEL DISGUSTED, RIGHT?
EH..
THAT- I-
HOLD ON, SORRY
HOLD-
IN THE END WHICH KIND OF LIKE IS IT!? YOU NEED TO BE CLEAR ABOUT IT!
NO... THAT. .
WHI-
WHICH ONE...?
... WHICH ONE.

....
INO..
HIT ME ALL YOU WANT!
IF YOU FEEL THAT I AM DISGUST-ING,
ABOUT THAT.
HUH?
SO-SORRY.
HUH ...?
I

IS IT THE SAME
....
AS YOURS?
...MEAN THIS KIND OF LIKE,
.....
YEAH.
GRABS
NODS

IT'S THE SAME
kata
kata
kata
kata
kata
kata

The doors are closing.
...INO.
....
HMM?
I... I...
HMM?
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE I AM RECEIVING A CONFESSION.
EH?
AHAHA, ME TOO.
FIRST CONFESS-ION EVER.
....
MOREOVER, IT'S A CONFESSION FROM THE PERSON I LIKE. I'M SO HAPPY I FEEL LIKE I CAN'T BREATHE..
MY HEART IS BEATING SO FAST NOW.
....
AH!
HMM?


AH?
GIRL? ...WHICH ONE?
....
OH YEAH!!
KIYO, THAT GIRL...
WHAT IS IT? QUICK, SAY IT. YOU'RE SO MEAN.
WHAT?
NO, BUT-
IF YOU DON'T, I'M GONNA KISS YOU.
WHAT? JUST SAY IT.
Weird?
...NO
....
IT'S NOTHING
JUST FORGET WHAT I SAID--
I WENT A LITTLE OVER-BOARD
SORRY, I WAS JUST KIDDING
IT'S NOTHING
THEN,
I'M NOT SAYING
.....
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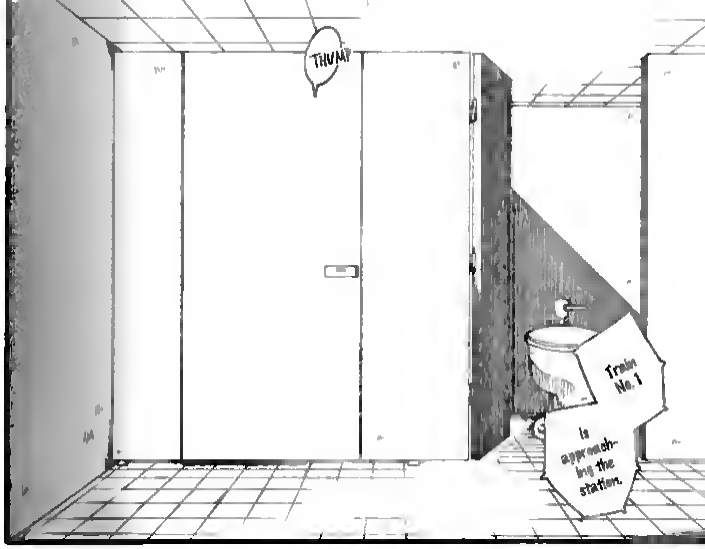
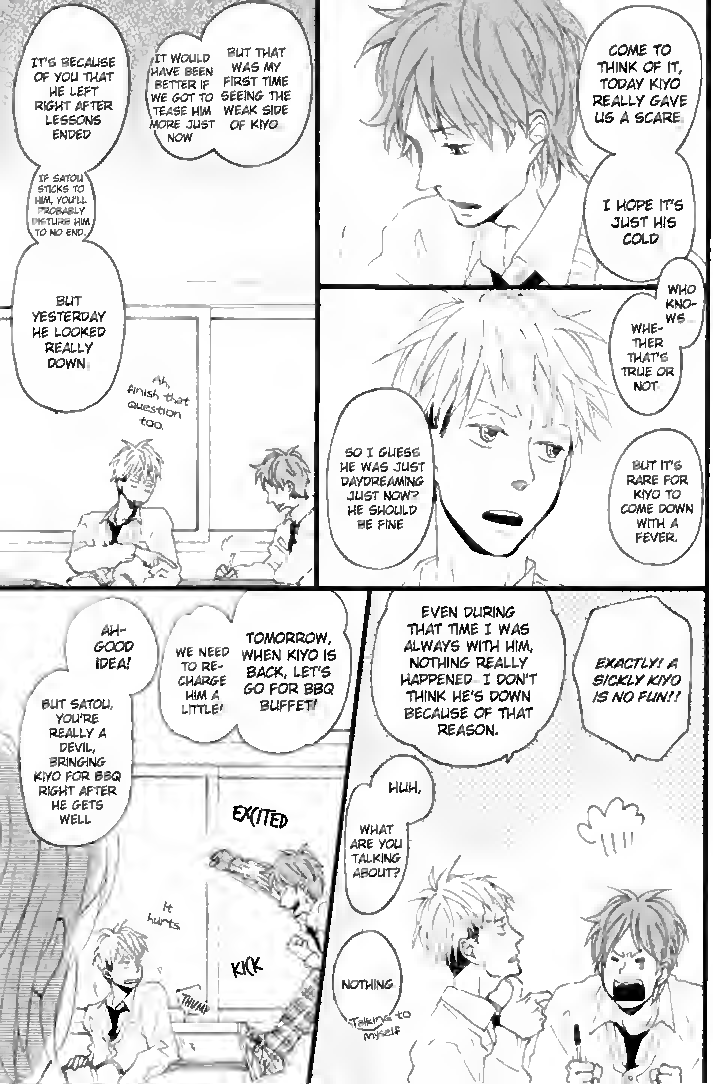
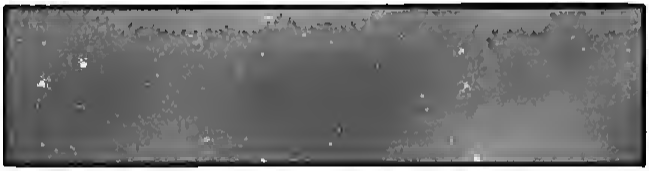

THUMP
Train No. 1
is approaching the station.

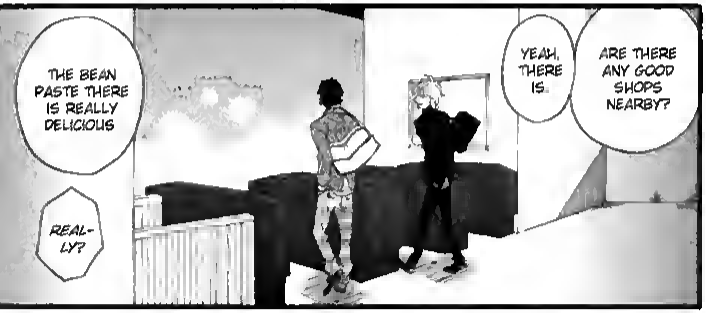
Let's go home-
Wah, hah, hah, hah!
Wait for me-
RIE
UWAH, IT'S SO DARK OUTSIDE!
HEY-
DO YOU KNOW HOW TO DO THIS QUESTION?
RIE

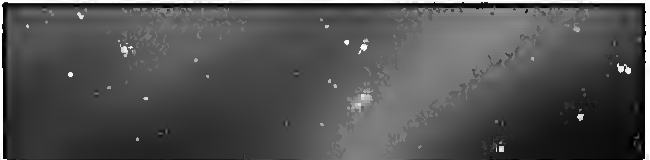

IT'S BECAUSE OF YOU THAT HE LEFT RIGHT AFTER LESSONS ENDED
IT WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER IF WE GOT TO TEASE HIM MORE JUST NOW
BUT THAT WAS MY FIRST TIME SEEING THE WEAK SIDE OF KIYO
IF SATOU STICKS TO HIM, YOU'LL PROBABLY INFECTIOUS HIM TO NO END
BUT YESTERDAY HE LOOKED REALLY DOWN
Ah, I'll finish that question too.
COME TO THINK OF IT, TODAY KIYO REALLY GAVE US A SCARE
I HOPE IT'S JUST HIS COLD
WHO KNOWS WHETHER THAT'S TRUE OR NOT
SO I GUESS HE WAS JUST DAYDREAMING JUST NOW? HE SHOULD BE FINE
BUT IT'S RARE FOR KIYO TO COME DOWN WITH A FEVER.
AH- GOOD IDEA!
WE NEED TO RECHARGE HIM A LITTLE!
TOMORROW, WHEN KIYO IS BACK, LET'S GO FOR BBQ BUFFET!
BUT SATOU, YOU'RE REALLY A DEVIL, BRINGING KIYO FOR BBQ RIGHT AFTER HE GETS WELL
EXCITED
It hurts
KICK
EVEN DURING THAT TIME I WAS ALWAYS WITH HIM, NOTHING REALLY HAPPENED I DON'T THINK HE'S DOWN BECAUSE OF THAT REASON.
EXACTLY! A SICKLY KIYO IS NO FUN!!
HUH,
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
NOTHING
Talking to myself

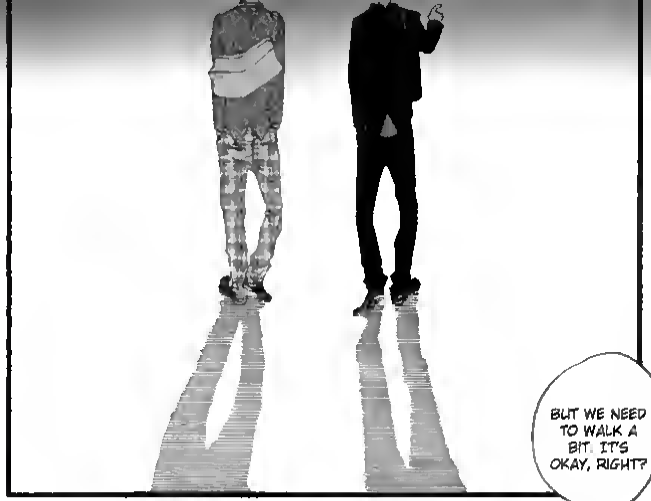
STUPID!
LET'S SEE HOW LONG IT WILL LAST THIS TIME.
PREVIOUSLY SHE WAS EYEING THAT WHO WAS IT AGAIN?
SHE'S AT IT AGAIN...
Satou-san is always so energetic He's so cool!
And he said he has a visibility of 50!
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS SAYING? I AM SERIOUS ALL THE TIME, NO MATTER WHO.
...SHOULD I CONFESS TO HIM...?
JUST GO, JUST GO
I'M REALLY SORRY! IT'S BECAUSE I CAME BACK LATE TODAY...
I-
AH...
IT'S ALREADY THIS LATE.
NO, I'M FINE WITH IT.
BUT INO, WON'T YOUR FAMILY BE WORRIED?
EH, MY FAMILY?
NOPE NOT AT ALL...

I'M HUNGRY. WANNA GRAB SOMETHING TO EAT BEFORE WE GO BACK?
REAL-LY?
MY FAMILY TOO. OH YEAH,
OH, YEAH!
WANT TO EAT RAMEN?
AH, SURE!




ARE THERE ANY GOOD SHOPS NEARBY?
YEAH, THERE IS.
THE BEAN PASTE THERE IS REALLY DELICIOUS
REAL-LY?





BUT WE NEED TO WALK A BIT. IT'S OKAY, RIGHT?

YEAH, NO PROBLEM

...WANNA HOLD HANDS?

BLUSH

NE-

NEXT TIME!!

Hahaha!

KIYO, YOU'RE BLUSHING.

SHUT UP!!

the end.

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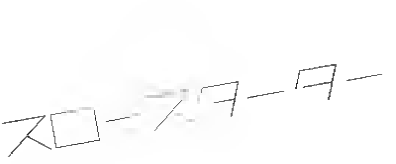
スロースターター

描き下ろし
スローステート
誠。ナカイ
KIYO
HM?
IS THIS ALL YOUR LUGGAGE?
YEAH
ISN'T THAT TOO LITTLE?
THUD
IS IT?
I'VE ALREADY FINISHED UNPACKING YOUR STUFF
SERIOUSLY!? THANKS!

YEAAAH
I CAN'T GET DRUNK
ACTUALLY I'D LIKE TO GET DRUNK AT LEAST ONCE
I'm jealous of you
WHY ISN'T YOUR FACE RED AT ALL?
ISN'T THAT KINDA UNFAIR!?
I'M DRINKING
lots.
. .ANYWAY INO, ARE YOU ACTUALLY DRINKING?
huff
Ew
HUH?
AHAHA! WHAT ARE YOU SAYIN'?
WHAT'S WITH THAT-! .
SOMEHOW I LOOK DUMB, DON'T I? GETTING DRUNK BY MYSELF LIKE THIS
YOU KNOW
Reach
. .INO..
UM...
THIS
HM?

thunk
UM
...IT'S OK TO COME OVER WHENEVER
...OR SHOULD I SAY THAT I WANT YOU TO ALWAYS COME BY.
EVEN IF I'M NOT HERE, IT'S OK
REALLY, WHENEVER YOU LIKE YOU CAN COME
...YEAH
THANK YOU...
...
AREN'T YOU GONNA BACK OUT?

HUH?
WHY?
IT'S KINDA
A BURDEN/ ...OR SOME-THING LIKE THAT...
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT AT ALL!
I'M HAPPY.
THANK YOU...
YOU'LL STOP BY, RIGHT.
INO...
...
KI-...

KISS
EVEN IF WE GO OUT ALONE SOMETIMES, KIYO DOESN'T SHOW THAT KIND OF BEHAVIOR.
I THOUGHT HE DIDN'T WANT TO DO IT WITH ME BUT
AH THIS IS BAD
... IT FEELS GREAT
KISS
KISS
I WAS WRONG...
INO...
KISS
LICK
SMILE
... HMM?
BUT...
KISS
HA...
IT FEELS GOOD
KISS
WHAT IS ...?
I... IT'S BAD...
WELL... A LOT OF THINGS

WAA
WHAT SHOULD I DO, AT THIS RATE... ARE WE GOING TO DO IT?
KISS
KISS
B-BUT
HOW DO WE DO IT?
KISS
I HAVE NO IDEA HOW IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE DONE...
KISS
INO...
INO
LIKE YOU
REALLY
LIKE YOU...
HM?
...WAIT...
WAIT, THIS... WHO'S GOING TO PLAY WHICH ROLE...
PERSONALLY, BEING DONE BY KIYO...
I DON'T MIND IT.
...NO, BUT IT'D INDEED BE A LITTLE SCARY IF IT'S PUT THERE.
BUT IF IT'S KIYO...
UWA
HUH?

slide
KI
KIYO?
KI...
shake
shake
...
AHAHA!
WHAT IS THIS?! THIS IS TOO CLICHE!
KU KU KU
ohhh MAAAN
WHAT A LET DOWN.

WELL.
WHAT-EVER
BIT BY BIT.
SNUGGLE
RIGHT.

あとがき！

こんにちはー
初めまして
市川けいと申しますー

初めてのオリジナルBLの
コミックスです。
緊張しすぎて吐きそうです。

この度はこの本を
お手にとって
くださいまして
本当に本当に
ありがとう
ございましたー

最初は読切りでまた次も
読切りを同じ子達で、とお話をいただき
その後連載として合計で一年ほどの間
描かせてもらっていました。

個人的に新しい話を
描くときは私もその登場人物と
初対面なんだよな～
という感覚を持ったまま
描き始めたりするんですが

やっとこさこの子達とも数回飲みに
行くようになって敬語も外れてタメ口に
なるくらい打ち解けて仲良くなって
きたぜー（※たとえ話）というタイミングで終わってしまったので
感慨深いと同時にとても寂しいですー笑

基本好き勝手
描き散らかした
のですが的確に
アドバイスなど
くださった担当様
本当にありがとう
ございましたー

いつも叱咤激励
してくれる
友人達にも
感謝感謝！ですー

そんな初コミックスですが
少しでも楽しみいただける
1冊になっていれば幸いですー

それでは
こんな所まで
お目を通して
くださって本当に
ありがとうございましたー
またどこかでお目に
かかれましたら嬉しいですー

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